

Department of Human Resources & Civil Service

Promotional Exam Announcement Please Post Conspicuously

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Monroe County Office of the Sheriff

P-71833 Deputy Sheriff Jailor - Lieutenant

Application Fee: None

Examination Date: October 5, 2013

Application Deadline: August 16, 2013 – Applications must be submitted online or filed in our office by 5PM or

postmarked by this date

Who May Apply: Qualified employees of the Monroe County Office of the Sheriff

Salary: \$67,692 - \$91,052 annually

Employment Opportunities: The results of this exam may be used to fill vacancies, which may occur during the

life of the eligible list.

Minimum Qualifications:

Candidates must be permanently employed in the competitive class at the **Monroe County Office of the Sheriff** and must have served continuously on a permanent basis for **twenty-four (24) months** holding the position of **Deputy Sheriff Jailor - Sergeant** immediately preceding the date of the written test.

Any person, otherwise meeting the requirements for an examination, who was laid off from an agency for which the examination is being held, and whose name is presently on a preferred list is eligible to compete in the examination. When completing the application, such person should be sure to indicate his/her present employment and/or the title and location of his/her last permanent employment in the municipality.

Description of Duties:

Responsible for ensuring enforcement of rules and regulations governing security, conduct, discipline, safety and the general well-being of inmates and staff of a major functional component at the Monroe County Jail. Position differs from Deputy Sheriff-Sergeant by virtue of increased level of responsibility. Employee exercises independent judgment in daily and emergency situations involving inmate contact and supervision. General supervision is exercised over Deputy Sheriff-Sergeants, Corporals, Jailors, and civilian staff. Receives general supervision from higher ranking officials. Must be available for shift work and on weekends.

Scope of Examination:

This examination will consist of three parts: a written test (40% of final rating), an assessment center (40% of final rating), and performance appraisals (20% of final rating). The assessment center will be administered only to those candidates who receive a passing score (70) on the written test. These candidates will be notified of the exercises included in the assessment center. Candidates then must achieve a passing score (70) in the assessment center in order to have the weighted average of their last three annual performance appraisals added to these others weighted scores. Or, if fewer than three performance evaluations, the number of performance evaluations contained in their personnel file prior to the test date.

The written, multiple-choice test will cover knowledge, skills and/or abilities in such areas as:

1. BASIC SKILLS TRAINING

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These questions test for the knowledge and abilities required to train individuals, often on a one-to-one basis, who need to acquire basic information and learn to perform simple tasks. They address topics such as planning activities to promote learning, presenting information, providing guidance, and evaluating learning. These questions cover the most basic level of training.

2. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR MANAGEMENT OF COUNTY JAILS AND PERTINENT NYS CORRECTION LAW AND PENAL LAW

These questions test for knowledge in such areas as: the Minimum Standards for county jails promulgated by the Commission of Correction concerning the admission/discharge, care, custody, movement, activities, behaviors, correctional treatment, supervision, and discipline of all persons confined to local correctional facilities, as well as pertinent NYS Correction Law and Penal Law.

3. COORDINATING APPROPRIATE RESPONSES TO EMERGENCIES, DISTURBANCES AND OTHER UNUSUAL SITUATIONS

These questions test for knowledge in such areas as: anticipating possible correctional emergency situations, responding to situations promptly and allocating staff where needed; notifying supervisors of situations when appropriate; acting within rules to alleviate problems as quickly as possible with minimum use of force; investigating the causes of incidents; submitting reports on incidents.

4. CUSTODY, SECURITY AND BUILDING MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

These questions test for knowledge in such areas as: supervisory inspections of correctional facility for cleanliness, order, potential safety and health hazards, and risks to security; checking security and safety equipment; observing and evaluating actions and behavior of individuals; notifying appropriate individuals when corrective action is required; building maintenance as it relates to the security of buildings and the safety of facility inmates and employees; maintaining overall security.

5. SUPERVISING INMATE CORRECTIONAL PROGRAMS, SERVICES, VISITATION AREAS AND CORRECTIONAL STAFF

These questions test for knowledge in such areas as: coordinating programs with civilian staff; ensuring that all employees relate well to visitors and guests and answer their questions in accordance with facility rules; organizing and supervising special programs involving outside groups (e.g., Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, etc.) and insuring full cooperation from employees.

The questions may also deal with such areas as: understanding new concepts and developments in the field of Corrections, and evaluating employees' capabilities and limitations on the job.

6. PREPARING WRITTEN MATERIAL

These questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately, and to organize paragraphs logically and comprehensibly. For some questions, you will be given information in two or three sentences followed by four restatements of the information. You must then choose the best version. For other questions, you will be given paragraphs with their sentences out of order. You must then choose, from four suggestions, the best order for the sentences

Calculators and Reference Materials:

Most civil service written tests do not require the use of a calculator or slide rule. However, the use of calculators is **PROHIBITED** for this exam. Candidates have the option of bringing a hand-held, quiet, battery or solar-powered arithmetic calculator or a slide rule to the test room. Candidates will not be permitted to use calculators containing spell check, dictionary, language translator, address or telephone book, personal digital assistants, or typewriter keyboard features, or any similar devices. You may not bring books or other reference materials.

This written examination is being prepared and rated in accordance with Section 23(2) of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Law, Rules and Regulations dealing with the preparation and rating of examinations, as well as establishment and certification of eligible lists for positions in the classified service will apply to this examination.

----- BASIC CIVIL SERVICE INFORMATION ------

Applications:

If you are applying for more than one exam, a separate application is required for each exam. Applications may be obtained at the address or web-site indicated at the bottom of the first page of this announcement.

Candidates must record the Exam Number and Title on the Application.

Seniority:

Seniority points will be added to the score of every passing candidate at the rate of one (1) point for each appropriate five (5) year period for each year of continuous permanent service calculated to the <u>date of original entry as a full-time employee</u> of the <u>Jail</u> **Bureau** in accordance with the following schedule.

| Less than 1 year | 0 Points |
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| 1 year up to 6 years | 1 Point |
| Over 6 years up to 11 years | 2 Points |
| Over 11 years up to 16 years | 3 Points |
| Over 16 years up to 21 years | 4 Points |
| Over 21 years up to 26 years | 5 Points |

Seniority points will be calculated at the time of written examination.

Certifications and Appointments:

The eligible list resulting from this examination will be established in accordance with the final earned numerical rating of passing candidates regardless of residence.

Veteran's Credits:

Veterans entitled to and wishing to claim additional points must file in the Monroe County Department of Human Resources an Application for Veteran's Credits (VC-1) form, and a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Disabled veterans must also file two (2) copies of an Authorization for Veteran's Disability Record (VC-4) with Veterans Affairs. These forms are available at the Monroe County Department of Human Resources and must be filed within thirty (30) days of the examination date. No credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

Candidates currently on active duty may apply within thirty (30) days of the examination. Upon discharge, candidates must submit a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Any extra points will be applied upon our receipt of the discharge papers.

Active Military Members:

Special testing arrangements may be available to applicants who are active military members. For further information contact the Monroe County Department of Human Resources before submitting an application.

Special Arrangements for Examination:

If you need an alternate test date because you are a Religious Observer [for religious reasons, cannot be tested on date of examination(s)] or if you have a disability that requires special accommodations for you to participate in an examination, you must notify us at the address or telephone numbers listed on the front page of this announcement by the application deadline. Indicate your request on the front of your application for each exam, and under separate cover submit a statement outlining the reason for your request, the exam number(s) and title(s), and attach supporting documentation.

Multiple Exam Takers:

Persons also applying for examinations offered by the City of Rochester and/or New York State Civil Service Commission held on the same date must complete a crossfiler form, available from the Monroe County Department of Human Resources, which will provide for special arrangements. Arrangements must be made to take **ALL** examinations at **ONE** test site. Unless this form is filed with the Monroe County Department of Human Resources three (3) weeks prior to the exam date, we cannot ensure that such arrangements will be made. If you are taking multiple exams on the same date with Monroe County Civil Service Commission only, you do not have to file a cross-filer form.

Candidates taking more than one (1) exam in <u>different</u> exam series will be allowed the specified length of time for each exam, up to a maximum of eight (8) hours. Example: If you are taking one (1) exam which allows six (6) hours and another exam in a different series which allows four (4) hours, you must complete both tests in eight (8) hours, but you can spend no more time on each exam than the time allotted for that exam.

Candidates taking more than one (1) exam in the <u>same</u> exam series will be allowed up to the specified length of time for each exam. Example: If you are taking two (2) exams in the same series with a maximum time of five (5) hours for each exam, you can spend no more than five (5) hours to complete both exams.

Admission to Examination:

All applications will be reviewed after the "Closing Date for Filing" listed on the front page of this announcement. If there is a problem with

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your application, you will be notified in writing and given an opportunity to submit additional information to support your application. If there are no problems with your application, you will be sent an admission notice approximately one week before the exam date. If you have not received your admission notice to appear for the examination <u>three days</u> before the date of the exam, call the Monroe County Department of Human Resources at (585) 753-1700.

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